## 75th Annual **Water School**

### **September 22-26, 2008**

**Strand Union Building** Montana State University, Bozeman

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# **Topics for 2008**

- Watershed Management and Maintenance
  - **▶**Process Control
  - **▲** Surface and Groundwater Treatment
    - **▲Incident Command Training** 
      - ▲ Rules Update
  - **▲** Advanced Wastewater Systems
    - **▲**Succession Planning
  - **▲** Capacity Development Planning

#### **More Information on the Web!**

On September 1, 2008 the 75th Annual Fall Water School DRAFT agenda will be posted on the DEQ website at http://www.deg.state.mt.us/ wginfo/opcert/index.asp and the METC website at www.msun.edu/grants/metc.

> Please take a look and see all the exciting classes that will be offered.

# **Guest Speakers**

**Dr. David Jenkins** 

**UC Berkley** 

**Bill Mixer** 

Casper College, WY

**Carl Brown** 

**Carl Brown Consulting** 

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# Water School

The 75th Annual Fall Water School will be held in Bozeman, September 22-26, 2008 at Montana State University.

Two to four tracks will be run concurrently for water and wastewater systems operators. It will be the individual operator's choice to select classes that relate to his or her professional or system needs. Some classes will be offered in joint session as they are applicable to all systems.

Water and wastewater examinations will be administered separately by the DEQ Certification Office on TBD.

Attendance at the Water School may be used to satisfy operator certification continuing education credit (CEC) renewal requirements.

# Registration

Registration begins at 7:30 AM on Monday, September 22 outside ballroom A in the Strand Union Building (SUB). No refunds will be given after the school begins. A refund of the registration fee, minus a \$50.00 administration fee, will be provided prior to the beginning of the program.

Water School will make reasonable accommodations for persons with a disability who wish to participate in this training. If you require accommodation, contact Conference Services at 280F Strand Union Building, Bozeman, MT 59715-4150 in writing no later than one week before the training begins to advise us of the nature of the accommodation.

Conference support is provided by MSU's Conference Services. Please contact them at (406) 994-3081,toni.lee@montana.edu.

## **Accommodations**

Accommodations are not included in the registration fee and participants are responsible for their own reservations. However, rooms have been reserved for Water School participants at the following Bozeman hotels. Please identify yourself as a participant of Water School when you make your reservation.

Super 8 800 Wheat Drive 406-586-1521 Single or Double: \$62 plus tax Make Reservation By: September 1

Best Western City Center Motor Inn
507 West Main
406-587-3158

Double: \$83 plus tax / Single: \$73 plus tax
Make Reservation By: August 23

Days Inn
1321 North 7th Ave.
406-587-5251
Rooms range from \$60 to \$73 plus tax
Make Reservation By: August 23

# **Parking Regulations**

Montana State University requires a parking permit for all cars parked on campus. Please see the registration form to purchase a parking permit at a fee of \$2.50 per day. All Water School participants who request a permit will receive a confirmation letter prior to the conference with a hanging parking permit and a map indicating where to park. All parking passes will be sent to the address on your registration form. Any lost tags will have to be replaced by the participant at a fee of \$2.50 per day.

To avoid being ticketed, display the permit and park in the designated area. Visitor cars without a permit are subject to tow at the participant's expense.

# **Exam Prep Training For New Operators**

The Exam Prep Training is designed for entry-level operators who plan to take the certification exam either at the end of the school or in the near future. Classes offered will include:

- >Scientific Terms
- >Lagoons
- >Surface Water Treatment
- >Mechanical Wastewater Systems
- >Mathematics
- >Groundwater Systems
- >Coliform Rule & Sampling Procedures

Entry-level operators who have not yet taken the exam are not required to obtain continuing education credits (CEC's) so no CEC's are offered for the Exam Prep Training. These sessions are designed as a supplement to individual study and should be of significant value to those planning on taking the exam. Please bring your study materials to the Exam Prep Training.

# Certification and the Certification Exam

Following the Water School, the Montana DEQ Operator Certification Office will be administering certification examinations on Friday, September 26 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, with registration beginning at 7:30 AM. The examination will be for all certification classes of water and wastewater operators.

**REGISTRATION FOR THE EXAM AND THE SCHOOL ARE SEPARATE!** Registration for the School does not automatically register you for the exam. Attendance at Water School is not required to take the exam; however, the exams should be much easier after four days of intense study in the Exam Prep sessions at the School.

To be eligible to take the examinations, you must submit the following by September 15 (NO EXCEPTIONS!) to the DEQ Operator Certification Office in Helena:

- >Examination Notice
- >Application for Certification as a Water/Wastewater Operator
- >Appropriate Fees: \$70.00 Application Fee & \$70.00 Per Exam Taken

# THESE ARE SEPARATE FORMS AND SHOULD NOT BE CONFUSED WITH THE REGISTRATION FORM FOR WATER SCHOOL!

To receive an application, or for more information on certification, CEC's or the examination, contact:

Reta Therriault, DEQ PO Box 200901 Helena, MT 59620-0901 Phone: (406) 444-3434

http://www.deq.state.mt.us/wqinfo/opcert/index.asp